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In re Application of:	Yasuyuki Kawashima et al.		
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For:	Bacteria Counting Method, Bacteria Counting Apparatus and Reagent Kit for Counting Bacteria		

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of this application on the merits, please enter the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this communication, wherein strikethrough is used to identify deleted material and underlining is used to identify added material.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this communication.